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SUBJ: TRANSLINEAR: BAYARD PRESS CONFERENCE ON CROOK TESTIMONY

REF: STATE 51128 (PARA 3)

1. WE HAVE JUST LEARNED THAT COMMERCE UNDER SECRETARY HENRI BAYARD GAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE AT DEPARTMENT FOREIGN AFFAIRS AT 12:30 P.M. LOCAL TODAY, WHICH WILL BE REPORTED IN PORT AU PRINCE DAILIES TOMORROW, MARCH 5. ACCORDING TO ONE HAITIAN EDITOR WHO ATTENDED, BAYARD REFERRED TO AN AGENCE FRANCE PRESSE (AFP) DISPATCH THAT REPORTED ON WILLIAM CROOK'S TESTIMONY BEFORE THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE.

2. BAYARD SPECIFICALLY DENIED THAT ANY RESPONSIBLE HAITIAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL HAD BEEN IN EITHER DIRECT OR INDIRECT CONTACT WITH CROOK FOR PURPOSES OF ALLEGED BRIBE ATTEMPTS. WE UNDERSTAND BAYARD RELEASED THE TEXT OF A CABLE FROM TRANSLINEAR TO THE GOH (PROBABLY THAT OF JULY 16, 1975) TOGETHER WITH THE TEXT OF BAYARD LETTER DENYING ALLEGATIONS CONTAINED IN CABLE (PROBABLY THAT OF OCTOBER 20, 1975.)

3. WILL PASS MORE DETAILS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
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